

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SB 3784 - HB 3608**

February 19, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes grandparents to petition the court for visitation rights when the mother and father are involved in divorce proceedings and requires grandparent visitation be included in parenting plans.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenue – Not Significant**  
**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

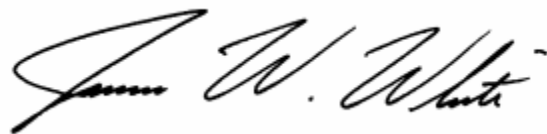
**Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant**  
**Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant**

#### **Assumptions:**

- Currently, grandparents may petition the court for visitation rights if the father or mother is deceased, or if the child's parents are divorced, legally separated, or were never married.
- This legislation includes an additional circumstance in which the grandparents can petition the court for visitation.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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